1 Dana J. Oliver, Esq. (SBN: 291082) 2 dana@danaoliverlaw.com OLIVER LAW CENTER, INC. 3 8780 19th Street #559 4 Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701 Telephone: (855)384-3262 5 Facsimile: (888)570-2021 6 7 Attorney for Plaintiff and Putative Class 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 PEGGY BANKS, individually and on Case No. 11 behalf of all others similarly situated, 12 Plaintiff, CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT 13 **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** 14 ν. 15 SUNRUN INC. 16 Defendant. 17 18 19 20 FIRST AMENDED CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT 21 Plaintiff Peggy Banks (hereinafter referred to as "Plaintiff"), individually and 22 on behalf of all others similarly situated, alleges on personal knowledge, 23 24 investigation of her counsel, and on information and belief, as follows: 25 26 27

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NATURE OF ACTION

- 1. This case involves a campaign by SunRun Inc. to market its solar panel services through telemarketing calls by contacting numbers on the National Do Not Call Registry, in plain violation of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, 47 U.S.C. § 227 *et seq.* (hereinafter referred to as the "TCPA").
- 2. The recipients of SunRun's illegal calls, which include Plaintiff and the proposed class, are entitled to damages under the TCPA, and because the technology used by SunRun makes calls *en masse*, the appropriate vehicle for their recovery is a class action lawsuit.

PARTIES

- 3. Plaintiff Peggy Banks is an individual located in Norco, California.
- 4. Defendant SunRun, Inc. is a Delaware company located in California, in San Francisco, that made telemarketing calls from this District.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 5. This Court has federal question jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 and 47 U.S.C. § 227 et seq.
- 6. This Court has general jurisdiction over Defendant because it has its principal place of business in this District.
- 7. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(1) because the Defendant is a resident of this District.

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TCPA BACKGROUND

The National Do Not Call Registry

- The TCPA prohibits making multiple telemarketing calls to a 8. residential telephone number that has previously been registered on the National Do Not Call Registry. See 47 U.S.C. § 227(c)(5).
- 9. The National Do Not Call Registry allows consumers to register their telephone numbers and thereby indicate their desire not to receive telephone solicitations at those numbers. See 47 C.F.R. § 64.1200(c)(2).
- A listing on the National Do Not Call Registry "must be honored 10. indefinitely, or until the registration is cancelled by the consumer or the telephone number is removed by the database administrator." *Id*.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- Defendant is a "person" as the term is defined by 47 U.S.C. § 153(39). 11.
- Plaintiff's telephone number, 909-XXX-XXXX, is used for residential 12. purposes and is used for personal purposes.
- The number is a residential telephone line because it is assigned to a 13. residential telephone exchange service for consumers and is not assigned to a telephone exchange service for businesses.
- The number has been registered on the National Do Not Call Registry 14. continuously since August 8, 2006.

- 15. Despite this, the Plaintiff received at least thirty-one telemarketing calls placed from SunRun between at least July 11, 2024 and August 16, 2024 from the Caller ID 909-475-3698 to solicit her for Defendant's solar panel services.
- 16. This telephone number is the Defendant's telephone number and is registered with various Caller ID databases as "SunRun."
- 17. Thereafter, the Plaintiff sent investigatory correspondence to SunRun to ascertain why she received the illegal calls and to request they cease.
 - 18. Plaintiff received no response.
 - 19. The calls were not necessitated by an emergency.
- 20. The Plaintiff never requested the calls or provided her consent to receive them.
 - 21. The Plaintiff never did business with Defendant SunRun.
 - 22. The calls were nonconsensual encounters.
- 23. Plaintiff and all members of the Class, defined below, have been harmed by the acts of Defendant because their privacy has been violated and they were annoyed and harassed. Plaintiff and the Class Members were also harmed by use of their telephone power, network bandwidth, storage space, wear and tear, and the intrusion on their telephone that occupied it from receiving legitimate communications.

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CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

24. Plaintiff brings this action on behalf of herself and the following class (the "Class") pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23.

Telephone Consumer Protection Act Do Not Call Registry Class:

All persons in the United States whose (1) telephone numbers were on the National Do Not Call Registry for at least 31 days, (2) but who received more than one telemarketing calls from or on behalf of Defendant (3) within a 12-month period (4) from the four years prior to the filing of the complaint through the date of trial.

- 25. Defendant and its employees or agents are excluded from the Class. Plaintiff reserves the right to modify or amend the Class definition, as appropriate, during the course of this litigation.
- 26. Plaintiff brings all claims in this action individually and on behalf of Class Members against Defendant.

Numerosity

27. Members of the Class are so numerous that their individual joinder is impracticable.

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- 28. On information and belief, based on the technology used to call Plaintiff, which is used to make calls en masse, Members of the Class number in the thousands.
- 29. The precise number of Class Members and their identities are unknown to Plaintiff at this time but may be determined through discovery.
- 30. Class Members may be notified of the pendency of this action by mail and/or publication through the distribution records of Defendant.

Commonality

- Common questions of law and fact exist as to all Class Members and 31. predominate over questions affecting only individual Class Members.
- 32. Common legal and factual questions include, but are not limited to, whether Defendant has violated the Telephone Consumer Protection Act and whether Class Members are entitled to actual and/or statutory damages for the aforementioned violations.

Typicality

33. The claims of the named Plaintiff are typical of the claims of the Class because the named Plaintiff, like all other Class Members, received unsolicited telephonic sales calls from the Defendant without giving them her consent to receive such calls.

Adequacy of Representation

- 34. Plaintiff is an adequate representative of the Class because her interests do not conflict with the interests of the Class Members she seeks to represent, she has retained competent counsel experienced in prosecuting class actions, and she intends to prosecute this action vigorously.
- 35. The interests of Class Members will be fairly and adequately protected by Plaintiff and her counsel.

Superiority

- 36. The class mechanism is superior to other available means for the fair and efficient adjudication of the claims of Class Members.
- 37. Many of the Class Members likely lack the ability and/or resources to undertake the burden and expense of individually prosecuting what may be a complex and extensive action to establish Defendant's liability.
- 38. Individualized litigation increases the delay and expense to all parties and multiplies the burden on the judicial system. This strain on the parties and the judicial system would be heightened in this case, given the complex legal and factual issues at play.
- 39. Individualized litigation also presents a potential for inconsistent or contradictory judgments.

- 40. In contrast, the class action device presents far fewer management difficulties and provides the benefits of single adjudication, economy of scale, and comprehensive supervision by a single court on the issue of Defendant's liability.
- 41. Class treatment of the liability issues will ensure that all claims and claimants are before this Court for consistent adjudication of the liability issues.

COUNT I

Telephone Consumer Protection Act (Violations of 47 U.S.C. § 227) and of Plaintiff and the National Do Not Call Registre

(On Behalf of Plaintiff and the National Do Not Call Registry Class)

- 42. Plaintiff repeats and incorporates the allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 44 as if fully set forth herein.
- 43. The foregoing acts and omissions of Defendant and/or its affiliates, agents, and/or other persons or entities acting on Defendant's behalf constitute numerous and multiple violations of the TCPA, 47 U.S.C. § 227, by making telemarketing calls, except for emergency purposes, to the Plaintiff and the Class despite their numbers being on the National Do Not Call Registry.
 - 44. The Defendant's violations were negligent, willful, or knowing.
- 45. As a result of Defendant's and/or its affiliates, agents, and/or other persons or entities acting on Defendant's behalf violations of the TCPA, 47 U.S.C. § 227, Plaintiff and members of the Class presumptively are entitled to an award of between \$500 and \$1,500 in damages for each and every call made.

46. Plaintiff and members of the Class are also entitled to and do seek injunctive relief prohibiting Defendant from making telemarketing calls to numbers on the National Do Not Call Registry, except for emergency purposes, in the future.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, individually and on behalf of the Class, prays for the following relief:

- A. Injunctive relief prohibiting Defendant from calling telephone numbers advertising their goods or services, except for emergency purposes, to numbers on the National Do Not Call Registry in the future;
- B. That the Court enter a judgment awarding Plaintiff and all class members statutory damages of \$500 for each violation of the TCPA and \$1,500 for each knowing or willful violation;
- C. An order certifying this action to be a proper class action pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23, establishing an appropriate Class the Court deems appropriate, finding that Plaintiff are a proper representative of the Class, and appointing the lawyers and law firms representing Plaintiff as counsel for the Class; and
 - D. Such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff request a jury trial as to all claims of the complaint so triable.

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Dated: November 11, 2024

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